

# GET EVERYTHING: JOY

PHILIPPIANS

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**INSTEAD OF SHRINKING DREAMS TO MATCH OUR FINANCES, WHAT IF EXPAND BEYOND MONEY?**

What would you ask for?

**PEACE, JOY, LOVE, LIGHT, CHANGE // LAST WEEK THIS WEEK**

Today, we tackle Joy

*But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord."*

Luke 2:10-11

*"I can have **joy for free** this Christmas."*

## The Secrets of Joy – Philippians (p. 814)

(1:1-26 ) Paul was experiencing two realities:

- He is **suffering** in **chains**.
- He is experiencing **great joy**.

**ILL: MY SUFFERING STORIES, EXERCISE. SUFFERING FOLLOWED BY JOY // PAUL: SIMULTANEOUS! HIS REASON? THE MESSAGE OF JESUS!**

*Joy comes when the **message** of Jesus **changes lives**.*

**GOSPEL :: CHANGED CAESAR'S HOUSEHOLD, CITY OF ROME, PHILIPPIANS, PAUL HIMSELF**

## What is the message?

(2:1-11)

- The Creator of the universe humbled himself to **lift you** up.
- The journey of **glory** passes through **humility**.

**ILL: ASK A BIG GUY FROM THE CONGREGATION TO TRY TO PICK ME UP // HE HAS TO BEND DOWN**

*The Christmas story isn't that God became a **man** as much as it is God became a **servant**, even a sacrifice.*

**THAT'S THE JOY!! HE LOVES ME! HE LIFTS ME! IN TIMES OF HUMILITY I AM UNITED WITH CHRIST  
PHP 3:4-11 /// IF THIS MESSAGE CHANGES YOUR LIFE, YOU WILL HAVE JOY NO MATTER WHAT!**

## How are we changed?

(4:2-19)

- This message gives me **peace** with God and others.
- This message gives me a **framework** for life.
- This message gives me **strength** in my struggles.
- This message gives me encouragement through my new **family**.

**ILL: WHAT WAS YOUR MOST JOYFUL CHRISTMAS? TWO CHRISTMASSES COME TO MIND: COMMODORE 1581 // MY DESK CLOCK**

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**HEAR THE MESSAGE, LET IT CHANGE YOU, LET IT CHANGE OTHERS THROUGH YOU.**

**PRAYER TREE // WHO NEEDS THIS MESSAGE?  
"I NEED THIS MESSAGE" // "MY DAD NEEDS THIS MESSAGE"**